

**City of Idaho Falls
Accessibility Commission
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JANUARY MINUTES

**City Annex Building Conference Room
680 Park Avenue
January 13, 2010
3:00 p.m.**

Member Present: Dean Nielson, Lindsay Huntsman, Sheila Olsen and Heidi Gainan

Members Absent: Dwight Whittaker, Matt Queen, and Betty Frechette.

Staff Present: Jan Blickenstaff ADA Coordinator and DaNiel Jose Current Planner

Elections: The commission elected Dean Nielson as chairman and Lindsey Huntsman as vice-chairman and Jan Blickenstaff as secretary (as required by the ordinance).

Meeting Times: The Commission discussed day and time of the future meetings. They recommended that be held on the second Tuesday of the month at 4:00 p.m. The next meeting will be February 9th, 2010.

Discussion: Blickenstaff reviewed the contents of the ADA Commission binder, he explained what the information will be use for. The items included a contact list of the commission, the ordinance, by-laws (sent in packet), notice to all residents, checklist of existing facilities, and van accessible parking spaces.

Blickenstaff review the purpose of the ordinance stating that the ordinance has been adopted to provide an avenue to fairly review the public facilities in the city and to articulate the needs for compliancy with the ADA requirements. The ordinance requires the commission to create a priority list of the facilities to submit to the City Council. Blickenstaff has obtained a list of all of the public facilities owned by the city.

The commission discussed the manner that would be used to review the sites they concluded that it would be best to look at it by accommodations. They need to prioritize the accommodations, including

site, access, restrooms, counters and signage. A Transition Plan of the cities facilities was completed in 1992, this plan will need to be updated.

Blickenstaff explained that government buildings are required to meet the 504 requirements as well as the ADA requirements.

The commission discussed an awareness program through ADA training.

Meeting adjourned